

THE HONORABLE JOHN C. COUGHENOUR

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
WESTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON  
AT SEATTLE

NORTHWEST ENVIRONMENTAL  
ADVOCATES,

Plaintiff,

v.

THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE, *et*  
*al.*,

Defendants.

CASE NO. C16-1866-JCC

MINUTE ORDER

The following Minute Order is made by direction of the Court, the Honorable John C. Coughenour, United States District Judge:

This matter comes before the Court on the parties' stipulated motion to extend the briefing schedule on Plaintiff Northwest Environmental Advocates' motion for attorney fees (Dkt. No. 189). Plaintiff and the Federal Defendants<sup>1</sup> request that the Court extend Federal Defendants' deadline to respond to Plaintiff's motion until April 15, 2021 and Plaintiff's reply deadline until April 29, 2021 due to their counsel's caseloads. Because the Court has entered judgment in this case and an extension will not affect any other deadlines, the Court finds good

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<sup>1</sup> "Federal Defendants" is not defined with precision in the motion, but the Court understands the term to refer to the U.S. Department of Commerce, the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, and the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency.

1 cause and GRANTS the motion. Although the State of Washington did not join the stipulation,  
2 the Court concludes that its deadline to respond to Plaintiff's motion, if it chooses to respond,  
3 should also be extended until April 15, 2021. Accordingly, the Court DIRECTS the Clerk to  
4 renote Plaintiff's motion for attorney fees (Dkt. No. 177) for consideration on April 29, 2021.  
5 Defendants must file any responses to Plaintiff's motion no later than April 15, 2021.

6 DATED this 6th day of April 2021.

7 William M. McCool  
8 Clerk of Court

9 s/Paula McNabb  
10 Deputy Clerk